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South Dakotan of German Descent Takes Town's Whole Allotment to Aid Son at Front

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AMERICA, Oct. 10.—Town was first
over the top, subscribing her quota of
the Fourth Liberty Loan on the first
day of the drive, collecting \$148,020,500
against a quota of \$147,100,000. Oregon
clamored by wire to Washington, demanding to know how lowa stood, and
came in almost neck and neck, but
missed by the mere margin of a few
hours.

The first day of the loan Hawaii whooped it up with a subscription of \$3.461,300. Fity California communities grabbed honor fings before sunset. Admiral Cowls, director of the loan campaign in the Navy, reported that \$2.000.000 was subscribed right off the real.

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In Wheeling, W. Va., all but one of 1,000 coal mine employees bought in bonds in the first five minutes of the drive. In Great Falls, Mont., men, women and children filed past bullot boxes to register their subscriptions, and the town's quota was oversubscribed in the first 30 minutes.

Good old Bourbon County, Ky., forgiving the national ban on its famous fipple, oversubscribed its quota in the first few hours. Kern County, Cal., nearly beat Bourbon to it, though. The theater audiences in New York, on the first evening of the drive, subscribed \$500.000.

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On the drive's second day, New England cume along strong with \$67,128,000, and Massachusetts alone raised \$45,000,000. The New York Federal Reserve District reported \$87,601,250, raised in the first two days of the campaign.

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The 24 war exhibit trains, moving through the country, kept things booming. The one in the Cleveland Federal Reserve District collected over \$2,000,000. A South Dakota farmer of German descent subscribed his town's whole allotment \$12,000-all by himself, declaring that he wants his boy in the trenches to know that he backs him to the limit.

The third day gave a total of \$411,42,000 for the whole country. The Boston district came through with \$100,000,000. Massachusetts alone reached \$62,000,000. Arkansas reported half her quota collected, with less than half her counties heard from. The Marc Island Navy Yard irritated the other may yards by raising \$715,000, all out of its own pocket.

On the fourth day Iowa was still plunging ahead, kicking dust in the other States' eyes. The Minneapolis district reported that all the States in its jurisdiction were fast approaching their quotas. Forty-seven communities in the Cleveland Reserve District and 22 communities in New England hoisted honor flags, and ten eftics and five counties in Michigan went over the top.

Half Billion Mark Passed
The subscriptions among the Detroit factory workers were four times heavier than at the same stage of the last loan. At the close of business Boston reported \$24,000,000 from the Bean City alone, and more coming. Ashwille and Buncombe Counties, N. C., oversubscribed their quotas, and Admiral Cowis reported a \$4,500,000 mark for the Navy. The fifth day saw the country pass the half billion mark, with a total of \$628,506,000. Toledo reached its quota with 72,000 people subscribing \$10,000.000.

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Over the Billion Mark

New York's percentage is the only thing it is low in. The actual amount raised in the district in the first four days of the drive was \$183,46750, and the district wants its fellow citizens to take notice that New York's quota this time is \$1,500,000,000, within \$200,000,000 of the whole amount of the first Liberty Loan for the whole country. On the seventh day the nation broke over the billion mark, with \$1,007,611,670 subscribed, the St. Louis district passing half its quota, Boston reaching one-third of its allotment, Minneapolis close to one-third, San Francisco about one-quarter, and Kansas City collecting quilety but with the subscriptions not officially started until next week.

Boston reported that 145,136 people had bought bonds up to the seventh duy in the Federul Reserve District. Ninety New England States with \$92,507,000 subscribed.

Cincinnati was two days ahead of its scheduled daily quotas on that same memorable seventh day. Conneand, the first fine day quotas on that same memorable seventh day. Conneand, the first fine day quotas on that same memorable

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RAINBOW GLEAMS **AS YANKS THRUST** EAST OF RHEIMS

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CUBA AND PANAMA BUYING FOE USES MIXED TROOPS

Battalion Captures 273 Huns and 75 Machine Guns Without a, Single Casualty

raud's French Army shatter the German menace to Rheims when they stormed and captured Blane Mont, a fortified ridge northeast of the city. The Ameri-cans took this ridge in two hours, charging up a half mile of cratered chalk hill-

side strewn with blasted trees.

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At the end of that charge, the tide of German prisoners rose high on the roads at the backs of the Americans. Scarcely pausing, the Americans pressed on, a kilometer at a time, day after day, until Tuesday they were firmly holding St. Etienne.

General Gouraud Visits P.C.

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'It was estimated that six German divisions were opposed to the Americans in their six days' fighting. At any rate, the prisoners represented such a scattering of regiments that the French were terming the captives "the salad."

The Prussian Guards were there, some of them known us Wilhelm's Own. The "green lizards" were there, too, many of them—Jaegers in their green uniforms.

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Illustrative of the swiftness of the American advance was the capture west of Blanc Mont by one American battation, commanded by Capt. George K. Schuler, of 269 German soldiers, four officers and 75 machine guns. And the American battalion did this without a single casualty of its own, a happening said to be almost unprecedented in this war.

The capture was accomplished by an enveloping movement close upon the barrage, and the Germans found themselves trapped in holes, with American rifles and machine guns around them. There was still another unprecedented happening. A French officer came back into Souahn marveling—he had seen an American soldier herding together a German artillers staff which he had captured single-handed, one major, one captain, seven lieutenants and 22 privates. Corporal Fred D. Hubbell, of Toledo, Ohio, gets the official credit for this feat, which happened on the morning of October 3.

What Corporal Hubbell Did

Corporal Hubbell's company had run across a series of dugouts of German artillery officers and had taken a few prisoners who said there were no more Germans underground. A half hour later, while Corporal Hubbell's company was encountering meching are resist,

SOFT COAL QUOTA SCALE

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The names of the New York City firms and trades that have signed up 100 per cent of their employees fill columns in the newspapers. Fifty-seven towns in the New York district have won bonor flags, and 12 have won stars for 50 per cent oversubscription.

On the eighth day, the National Assembly of Panama suspended its session while two senoritas successfully touched each member, following it up by equal success with the cabinet. Canal Zone workers arrived at the \$600,000 mark on their way to a \$1,000,000 quota.

Chicago called the eighth a day after raising \$10,000,000, which made her total \$70,000,000. The New York District reached \$266,098,000, with one life insurance company subscribing \$6,000,000.

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An average of at least 37 children a week must be taken by the A.E.F. in that time. What is going to be our answer to these little orphans whose only source of help and happiness we are?

ALLIES ADVANCE IN MANY ATTACKS

Germans Withdraw from Sectors Flanked in Victorious Drives

On the flaming battle front in the West the week has seen a continuous succession of Allied attacks and advances, with three German withdrawals in sectors which were not being attacked frontally and plans made for another withdrawal.

The great bulge west of Lille, rendered precarious by the advance of Belgians and British in the north and by the British advance in the south, has been evacuated to a depth that has brought the British to within four miles of the greatest city in Northern France.

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TO SPEND 24 BILLIONS

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[By Carleto THE STARS AND STRIPES] AMBRICA, Oct. 10.—Whip and spur are in action to hurry the great \$5,000,000,000 revenue bill through the Senate, and every effort will be made to pass it before election.

Secretary McAdoo says in a letter to the Senate urging hurry that the Government expenditures during the fiscal year to come will be at least \$24,000,000,000, and other estimates, based on the new Army, Navy and shipbuilding estimates, suggests that our expenditures may reach \$35,000,000,000.

New Arrival-Learnin' any French Jim (also new arrival)—Weil, I ain't had any trouble readin' the time on their clocks.

HOTEL PLAZA-ATHÉNÉE 25 Avenue Montaigne, PARIS

WHOLE BATTALION, BOCHE ENCIRCLED.

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these couriers of the air who carried the
tidings to the other Yanks in the forest.
Attack after attack was then made
by companion regiments. Relief and
instructions were rushed through the
air. Airplanes went over again and
again to drop munitions, bandages and,
that best of all iron rations, chocolate.

Such was the lay of the wooded ruvine,
such was the fog that the airmen had to
work as though blindfolded. One great
package of supplies did come near its
mark, but the doughboys who tried to
crawl out and get it were killed by
watching supers from across the ravine.
Several planes were brought down, one
plot was killed and two observers were
wounded in the effort to carry ald
through the air to the surrounded battalion.

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Not once did that battation try to fight its way back. It had been ordered to take the position and hold it. The battalion obeyed orders.

Afterwards, when the men had been relieved and had come out white, emachated, unrecognizable in their black growths of beard, the falk among them was all of Major Whittlesey. Sixty-nine officers and men had been left dend on the hillside, and of the 304 soldiers to leave the ravine alive, 150 were wounded. Those too badly hurt or too weak were carried eventually to a sorting station on the edge of the forest, a beautiful abbey reared by plous hands 900 years ago.

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There, huddled in blankets under a candlo-lit statue of Jesus of the Sacred Heart, they looked like figures in some immemorial pageant of suffering. But their proud talk was all of their Major. How he had kept up their spirits by his hourly message of "Keep cool, men," and still more by his own unfalling serenity. How the very sight of him shaving himself regularly each day was a calming spectacle. How, though it was perilous to move along the ravine, he managed somehow to see each mun each day. That was the story the wounded told. One doughboy, cradling a bandaged arm, put it this way: "We held out because he did. We was all right if we could see him once a day."

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K.P. TRAILS CHIEF WHILE SHELLS BURST

RELIEVED AT LAST Boy Who Toted General's **Chow Proves Faithful** Unto Death

There is little glory in carrying chow across a shell swept battle field, but the chow was for the general and his divisional staff, and of course a general and his staff must eat. That is why Private Dempsey paid no heed to the bursting shells and walked straight across the field, morning, noon and night, to the advanced divisional P.C.

For two days the general never missed a meal. He ate at his usual neal time, and always Private Dempsey insisted on the general's telling him what he wanted for the following meal.

At noon on the second day the general was away at meal time and could not give his order. That afternoon Private Dempsey walked across the field amid bursting shells to find out what the general wanted for supper. A shell burst so near him that it knecked him down, but he got up and went on.

At the door of the general's headquarters the K.P. shood at sulnte, waiting for a recognition from the general, when a shell struck near the P.C., and Private Dempsey fell dead.

"I know the Kniser's a bellion, and

"I know the Kaiser's a hellion, and all that, but I could almost forgive him if it wasn't for one thing." "What's the one?" "He's the Crown Prince's father."

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